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United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1158.

(Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.)

ADULTERATION AND MISBRANDING OF VANILLA FLAVOR.

On May 12, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, acting upon the report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed information in the District Court of the United States for said district against the Pan American Manufacturing Co., a corporation, alleging shipment by it, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about July 25, 1910, from the State of Louisiana into the Territory of New Mexico of a quantity of vanilla flavor which was adulterated and misbranded. The product was labeled: "High Power Vanilla Flavor, Pan American Mfg. Co. 3,000-3,016 Royal Street, New Orleans, La."

Analysis by the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture of samples of this product showed the following results: Solids 54.4 per cent; ash 0.62 per cent; vanillin 0.101 per cent; coumarin 0.152 per cent; vanilla resins, qualitative, none; color, natural. Adulteration was alleged for the reason that a preparation containing an extract of tonka bean had been mixed and packed with the said product so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted wholly or in part for the genuine vanilla extract. Misbranding was alleged for the reason that said product was represented as a vanilla flavor, when, in fact, it was a preparation consisting essentially of tonka extract, which said representation was, therefore, false and misleading.

On June 15, 1911, the defendant company pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 and costs.

W. M. HAYS,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *October 5, 1911.*

